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25X1 two German topographical maps -- 5674-Gosol (Kozle) and 5675 - Maydahreck O 3 (Kedzierzyn) -- of the 1936 Topographische Karte series, Scale 1:25000. These maps have been corrected as far as possible up to 30 Jun 53. Polish place names and PGR's have been added, bridge and railroad changes noted. The following legend now applies.

"A." The Kedzierzyn Chemical Plant, which according to the official Polish version is to be an artificial fertilizer plant. The former, pre-World War II plant suffered very little damage during the war. It was completely dismantled by the Soviet authorities in 1945. [See Paragraph 2]

A₁. A new workers' settlement for the Kedzierzyn plant.

B. The Blachownia Chemical Plant, which before World War II produced synthetic fuel. In this plant the production of benzol on a small scale started mid-August 1952. This plant is connected with the Koksochemia Chemical Plant at Eza'szakowice, north of Kosle. That plant produces coke at the rate of about 2,500 tons per day. It was put into operation in October 1951.

(The approximate area of the Kedzierzyn and Blachownia plants is marked by interrupted red lines)

B₁. Gasoline tanks.

B₂. Workers' settlement for the Blachownia Plant.

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1. A new canal, started during World War II, which will connect both chemical plants with the already existing Gliwice Canal. The excavation for this canal is already completed; other works on the canal are progressing.
2. Military barracks at Kozle. A detachment of infantry (probably one battalion) and an antitank unit are stationed there.
3. Cotton warehouse located in the former paper mill Zellstoff Fabrik Cosec (Kozle). A small amount of wool is also stored there. The original plant buildings were partly destroyed during World War II. About 50 workers are employed at this warehouse.
4. Plant producing fuses for hand grenades. Located in the former Danz Foundry. Employs 50 to 75 workers.
5. Iron scrap store.
6. Shipyard at Januszowice. Hulls for tugs of 250 HP are being constructed here.
7. Shipyard at Rogow where barges are being repaired.
8. The office building and prison of the UB (security Police). The prison serves for political prisoners.
9. Oder River port at Kozle.
10. Polish and Czech repair workshops for vessels sailing on the Oder.
11. Grain and goods warehouses located on the eastern quay of the port of Kozle.
12. New loading cranes, each of seven-ton capacity, located on the western coal quay of the port of Kozle.
13. Glue and chemicals plant for the cosmetic industry, located in the former 'potato flakes' factory. It employs 40 to 50 workers.
14. Stallion stud farm.
15. Two bridges over the Oder River at Kozle.⁷
16. "The nitrogen chemical plant at Kedzierzyn near Kosice (Gejlady Azot Kedzierzyn) is being rebuilt on the site of the former German chemical plant which was a branch of IG Farben. This plant was built in 1934-35. It suffered little damage during World War II, but in 1949 it was completely dismantled by the Soviet authorities. Certain parts of buildings and some installations which could not be dismantled, e.g. pipes, were blown up. Other chemical plants in the area were also dismantled, e.g. plants at Bielchowice, Zdzieszowice and Chraptowice.

The site of the Kedzierzyn plant, which is located in the forest, stretches along the railway line Racibora-Opolie (from the West) and between the railway line Kosice-Gliwice (from the North) and the highway Stare Kosice - Ortowice (from the South). The reconstruction work, both on buildings and installation is in full progress [June 1953].

Only a small section of the plant, the oxygen producing department (mainly for reconstruction purposes) and a wax producing plant are in operation.

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One part of the plant, situated in the middle of the site [] marked on sketch "A" by a red, interrupted line/, has been excluded from the area and given to the Ministry of Defence. It is surrounded by a double fence of barbed wire and heavily guarded. A separate barred entrance leads to this part. A special overhead bridge was built over the road leading to this secluded area in order to facilitate the traffic between two parts of the plant. Also special gates were constructed in the fence surrounding this area to let railway cars pass through on the railway sideline. It is not known [to informants] what is produced in this military section or what will be produced in the future. However, it is known that a laboratory equipped with precision instruments and machines has been constructed there.

Four large gasoline tanks, each about 30 meters in diameter, have been built in front of the main section of the plant. These tanks are surrounded by barbed wire fences and are guarded by special units of the Industrial Guard.

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[] layout sketch of Zaklady Azot Kedzierzyn

to which the following legend applies:

"A. Halls and buildings for special purposes:

- a) Used now [] June 1953 as workshops, warehouses, etc by the management of reconstruction works. []
- b) Rebuilt but not yet used. []
- c) Still unrebuilt. []

B. Colors:

- a) Main part of the plant - marked in black
- b) Section occupied by the army marked in red.
- c) Buildings used by other enterprises - production of oxygen, wax; gasoline tanks - marked in yellow.

C. Buildings:

1. Building of the management of the plant. The chief director is (rnu) Lis, a former worker.
2. Building of the management of the economic section of the plant.
3. Economic warehouse.
4. Guardroom of the Industrial Guards; bath.
5. Fire brigade of the plant.
6. Garages.
7. Motor car workshops.
8. Boiler room, for the heating system in the administrative buildings.

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9. Assembly workshops.
10. Main electric switchboard station.
11. Carpentry workshop.
12. Boiler room for central heating of administrative buildings.
13. Assembly workshops for water pipe system.
14. Main transformer connected to the high tension line from Labarze.
15. Assembly workshop for steel constructions.
16. Main boiler room.
17. Office of electric and installation works.
18. Assembly workshops for electrical installations.
19. Electric appliances store.
20. Storage battery room.
21. Mechanical workshop.
22. Mechanical workshop (storeroom)
23. Mechanical workshop
24. Store rooms for electrical and mechanical appliances.
25. Store rooms for electrical and precision equipment.
26. Offices of the building enterprise management.
27. Offices of the building enterprise management.
28. Railway loading ramp and warehouse.
29. Carpentry workshop.
30. Guardroom.
31. 'Dom Kultury' (House of Culture) - the seat of the PZPR-Polish Workers' (Communist) Party.
32. Special entrance to the military section of the plant.
33. Overhead bridge erected over the road leading to the military section.
34. New steel construction - about 40 meters high - in the southern part of the plant. (There were no buildings on this site before).

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(in red).

(in yellow).

- I. Military section
- II. Gasoline tanks
- III. Section for the production of oxygen and warehouses
- IV. Section for the production of wax

blocked in
yellow.

Transformers

'Reaction' towers (wieze reakcyjne) 7

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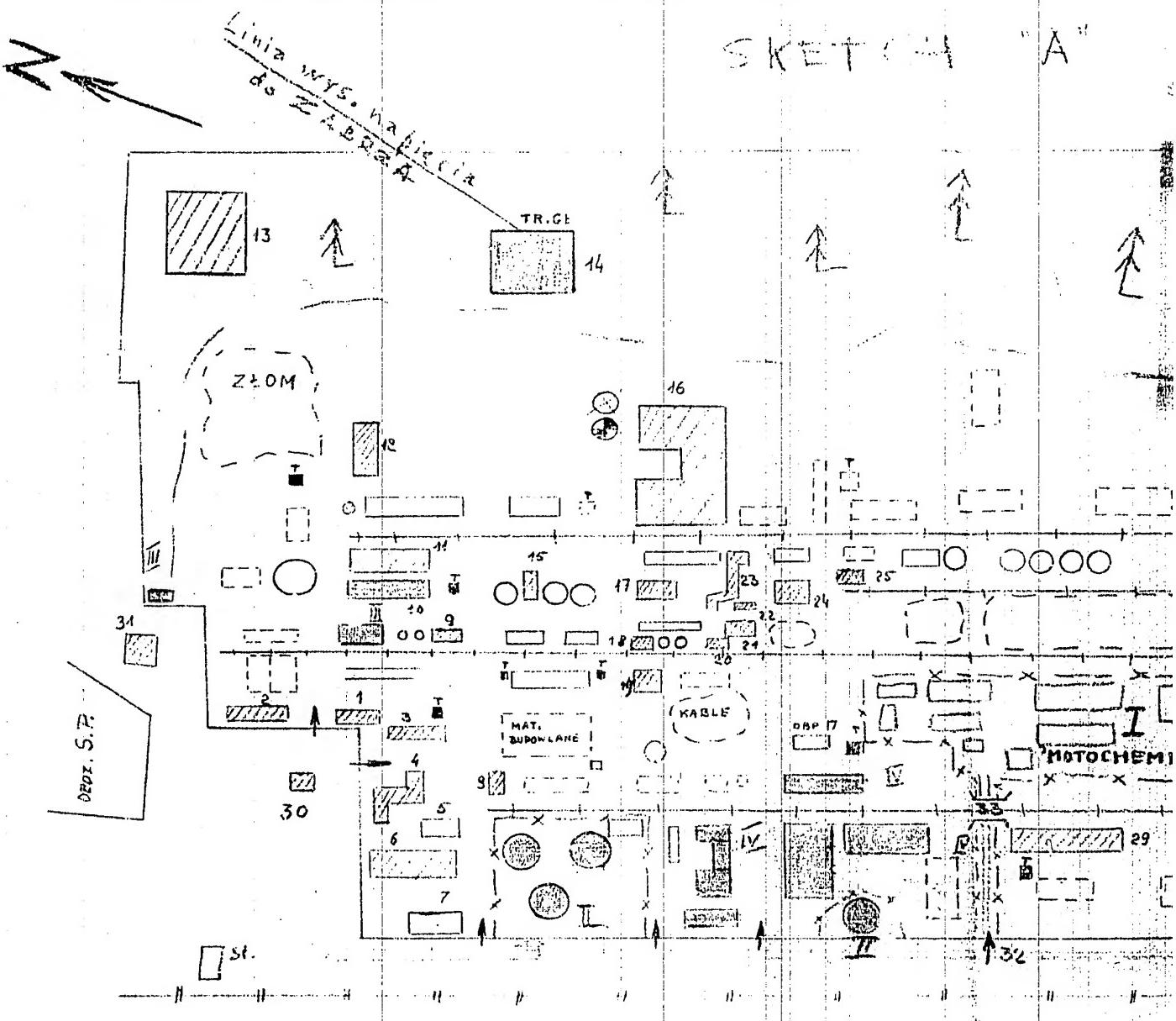
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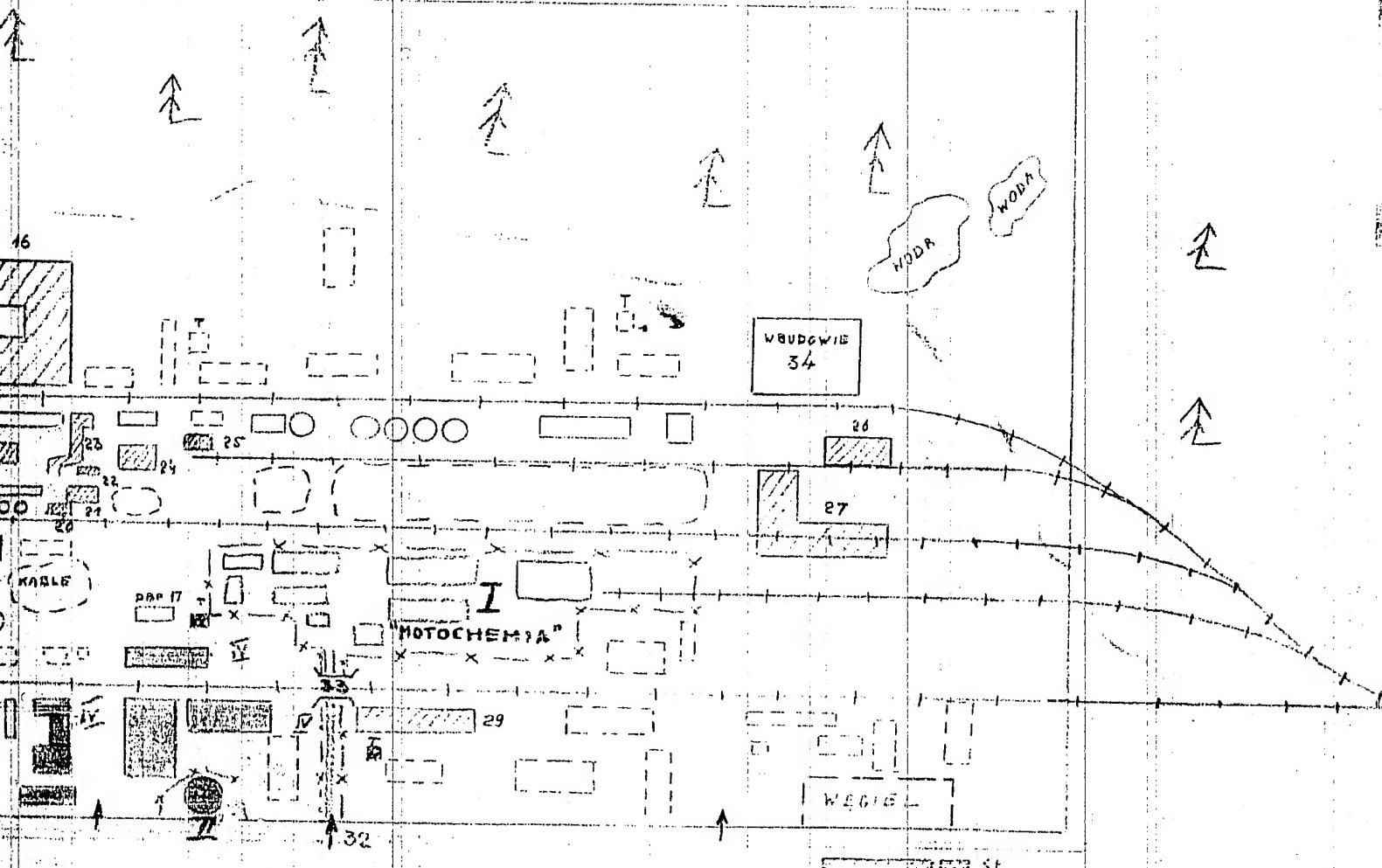
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SKETCH

"A"

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